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Applicants elect Invention I, without traverse. Invention I includes claims 1-15 and 41-44.

Allowance of pending claims 1-15 and 41-44 is respectfully solicited. Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions.

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